UTAH OGM COAL PROGRAM MEETING NOTES

FINAL

Date:

February 22, 2007 10:00 am - 11:00 am

Time: Location:

A Conference Room

To:

Internal File, SUFCO Mine, C/041/0002

From:

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Attendees:

Canyon Fuel Company, LLC (Mason Bishop, Mark Bunnell, Gregg Galecki,

Chris Hansen and Erik Petersen) Forest Service (Tom Lloyd)

DOGM (Wayne Hedberg, Wayne Western, Steve Fluke, Pamela Grubaugh-Littig)

Purpose:

Discuss Muddy Tract SITLA Drilling

MEETING SUMMARY:

Canyon Fuel Company, LLC (CCF) representatives discussed the difficulty in obtaining and the availability of drillers. There were also some questions about completing holes as monitoring wells. In 2005, no holes were drilled and in 2006, three (3) holes were drilled (with lots of difficulty). CCF needs to get drilling done in 2007 - Exploration Licenses UTU-82202 and UTU-84198 are the 2007 drill sites.

There are concerns about keeping wells open, especially at depths of about 2200 feet.

The coal rules require the aquifer to be characterized below the deepest seam mined. What does characterization mean as required by R645-301-624.100 (Geology Description). Steve Fluke explained that information is required from acceptable sources (data is the best), but monitoring wells are not necessarily the only way to characterize if other acceptable information is available.

CCF believes that there is not enough water in the Ksp (Star Point?) at Trail Mountain and that the Ksp doesn't hold much water.

The discussion basically was: Are monitoring wells needed for the SITLA Muddy Tract?

PROPOSED ACTION ITEMS:

CCF will send a letter to the Division with justification why monitoring wells are not going to be installed and characterize the aquifer below the lowest coal seam.

The Division will analyze the justification and write a letter to CCF accepting or denying the justification and copy the Forest Service.

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